Production of programmes by Prasar Bharati

1414. SHRI SANJAY RAUT: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) the number of programmes produced by the Prasar Bharati and telecast on its various channels since last one year;

(b) the amount spent by the Prasar Bharati on the production of each programme, programme-wise;

(c) the number of such programmes telecast on various Prasar Bharati channels after their production by other entertainment companies; and

(d) the details of the amount spent towards other entertainment industry since last one year?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI PRIYARANJAN DASMUNSI): (a) and (b) Prasar Bharati which is an autonomous statutory corporation has informed that such details are not maintained centrally in a complied form. Prasar Bharati has also informed that programme-wise expenditure on in-house productions is not maintained.

(c) Prasar Bharati has submitted that the details of the programmes produced by outside producers in the sponsorship category are available on Doordarshan's website ddindia.gov.in.

(d) Such details are not available with the Government.

Listeners of programmes of AIR, Bangalore

1415. SHRI KB. KRISHNAMURTHY: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) the approximate number of listeners of various programmes of All India Radio, Banglore;

(b) whether there is any proposal to launch Carnatic music channel i.e., 24 hour music channel, from All India Radio, Bangalore; and

(c) if so, by when it will be launched?